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C O N F I D E N T I A L TEHRAN 5975

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, MARR, APARM, US, XO, TH

SUBJECT:US SUPPORT OF INDIAN OCEAN ACTIVITIES FROM THAILAND

REF: A. BANGKOK 11623, B. BANGKOK 11547

1. WHILE WE ARE NOT ABLE TO OFFER SUGGESTIONS FOR RATIONALE TO PERSUADE RTG TO MAINTAIN P-3 FLIGHTS, WE THINK EMBASSY BANGKOK SHOULD NOT UTILIZE PORTIONS OF ITS WORKING PAPER WHICH RELATE TO IRAN (REF B, PARAS 8 AND 11). IRAN DOES NOT CONSIDER ITSELF NOW OR INEVITABLY A MEMBER OF A GROUPING IN CONTENTION WITH AFGHANISTAN AND INDIA. IRAN IS WORKING TO IMPROVE ITS TIES WITH AFGHANISTAN AND HAS RECENTLY MOVED TO ESTABLISH MUCH BETTER RELATIONS WITH INDIA. SHOULD CONTENT OF THIS PARA BE BROACHED TO IRANIANS, THEY WOULD RESENT IT AND RIGHTLY DENY ITS TRUTH.

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2. SOVIET INFLUENCE WAS OT, IN OUR OPINION, "LARGELY RESPONSIBLE" FOR OIL PRICE INCREASES. GREAT MAJORITY OF OPEC COUNTRIES, EACH FOR ITS OWN REASON, FAVORS HIGH OIL PRICES. RECENTLY, IRAN HAS BEEN PRESSINGUSSR VERY HARD FOR INCREASE IN GAS PRICES. SOVIETS HAVE SO FAR RESISTED IRANIAN ARGUMENTS. THE ARGUMENT IN PARA 11 STRETCHES THE POINT TOO FAR.

3. IF ANOTHER RATIONALE IS DEVELOPED FOR THAIS, WE HOPE IRAN ANDIRANIAN INVOLVEMENT IN P-3 FLIGHTS CANBE KEPT OUT.

4. WE WONDER IF IT WOULD NOT BE BETTER PART OF WISDOM TO LET ISSUE COOL FOR AWHILE. WOULD IT NOT BE POSSIBLE TO CONTINUE TO STAGE FECCE FLIGHTS OUT OF DIEGO GARCIA, PROVIDING THAT FACILITY WITH FUEL AND OTHER ELEMENTS OF AIRCRAFT SUPPORT? HELMS

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